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E.O. 12958: N/A
TAGS: ETTC KOMC DR
SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN LEVEL 3: PRE-LICENSE END-USE CHECK
ON LICENSE 050183057

¶1. This is an Action Request. See paragraphs 2 - 4.

¶2. The Department's Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (PM/DTCC) requests Post's assistance in conducting a pre-license check on license 050183057 for the export of rifles to the Dominican Republic. Post is requested to complete this Blue Lantern check within 30 days. Lack of response to a Blue Lantern check will affect pending and future licenses involving parties to this license.

¶3. Reason for Request: The firearms listed below are fully automatic military rifles. This request is for Post to verify the bona fides of this transaction and foreign intermediate consignee Peralta & Compania.

¶4. Action Request: Post is requested to establish the bona fides of foreign intermediate consignee Peralta & Compania and verify the legitimacy of this transaction by making inquiries to representatives of the company and appropriate authorities of the Government of the Dominican Republic. The following points are included for guidance:

(To Secretaria de Estado de las Fuerzas Armadas)

--Can the Secretaria de Estado de las Fuerzas Armadas confirm the order of the firearms listed on this license application?

--What firearms will these rifles replace? What will become of firearms that these rifles displace?

--Is the Government of the Dominican Republic paying any fees or commissions to Peralta & Compania?

(To Peralta & Compania)

--When was your company established and who are its principals?

--What products and services does your company provide? Who are your regular customers and where do they reside?

--Is your company receiving any fees or commission for your services in this transaction?

--Are you familiar with the regulations governing the import of U.S.-origin defense articles, including restrictions on re-transfer or re-export?

(To Appropriate Import/Export Authorities)

--Is Peralta & Compania properly authorized to import and sell defense articles in the Dominican Republic?

--Do you have any information on Peralta & Compania that

would question their reliability as a recipient of U.S. defense articles?

In its reply, Post may also comment on any other information pertinent to these transactions such as security of facilities, end-use, and concerns about the entities involved.

15. Details of license applications:

DTC Case: 050183057

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

200 Colt M4 Commandos, Model R0933, 5.56mm

800 Magazines for Colt M4s

License Value: USD \$260,796

SELLER:

Colt Defense LLC
547 New Park Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06110

FOREIGN INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE

Peralta & Compania
Calle Cub Scouts No. 1 Edif. Prodeca, Ens. Naco
(NOTE: Purchase Order includes PO Box 2100)
Santo Domingo
Dominican Republic
Tel: 472-1686 / 472-1135 / 472-1231

FOREIGN END-USER:

Secretaria de Estado de las Fuerzas Armadas
Avenida 27 de Febrero Esquina Avenida General Luperon
Santo Domingo
Dominican Republic

PURPOSE:

For use by the armed forces of the Dominican Republic for military purposes

16. Submitted in support of the license application were the following documents (PM/DTCC will fax documentation to Posts upon request):

DSP-83 signed by Matthew Fehmel (Colt Defense) dated 07/16/2009; Pedro Rafael Pena Antonio (Secretaria de Estado de las Fuerzas Armadas) dated 07/14/2009 (NOTE: Eulalio Peralta Fernandez of Peralta & Compania is listed but no signature is applied)

Import Authorization No. 207-09 issued by Secretaria de Estado de las Fuerzas Armadas signed by Julio Cesar Sanchez Suero and Pedro R. Pena Antonio dated 06/25/2009

Purchase Order from Peralta & Compania signed by Edrisis Peralta Ramirez dated 07/15/2009

17. Please slug reply for PM/DTCC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR and include the words "Blue Lantern" and the case number in the subject line. POC is Kyle M. Ballard, Phone: 202-663-1929; Email: BallardKM@state.gov; SIPRNET: BallardKM@state.sgov.gov. The Blue Lantern Guidebook (ref) is available as a PDF file on Intellipedia: http://www.intelink.gov/wiki/Blue_Lantern_End-Use_Monitoring_Program

18. Department is grateful for Post's assistance in this matter.
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